



Iowa Ag News – Milk Production

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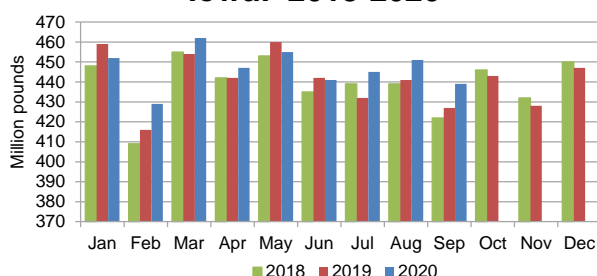
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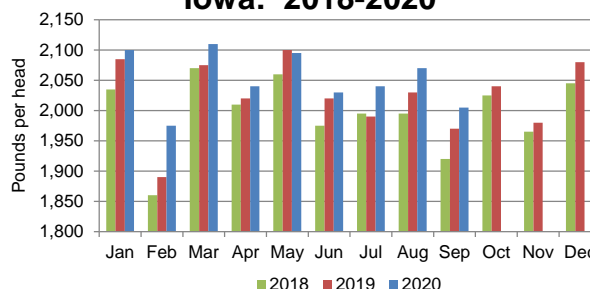
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Milk production in Iowa during September 2020 totaled 439 million pounds, up 3% from the previous September according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during September, at 219,000 head, was 1,000 more than last month and 2,000 more than last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,005 pounds, up 35 pounds from last September.

**Milk Production
Iowa: 2018-2020**



**Milk Production per Cow
Iowa: 2018-2020**



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: September 2019 and 2020

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	Change from 2019
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	196	195	1,825	1,795	358	350	-2.2
California	1,725	1,721	1,860	1,925	3,209	3,313	3.2
Colorado	189	199	2,110	2,160	399	430	7.8
Florida	116	111	1,415	1,425	164	158	-3.7
Georgia	80	79	1,640	1,650	131	130	-0.8
Idaho	630	645	2,060	2,070	1,298	1,335	2.9
Illinois	83	83	1,600	1,650	133	137	3.0
Indiana	175	185	1,835	1,890	321	350	9.0
Iowa	217	219	1,970	2,005	427	439	2.8
Kansas	163	171	1,910	1,940	311	332	6.8
Michigan	428	428	2,170	2,220	929	950	2.3
Minnesota	447	442	1,810	1,880	809	831	2.7
New Mexico	329	327	2,030	2,025	668	662	-0.9
New York	627	626	1,970	2,000	1,235	1,252	1.4
Ohio	252	254	1,735	1,800	437	457	4.6
Oregon	124	123	1,700	1,690	211	208	-1.4
Pennsylvania	485	482	1,650	1,690	800	815	1.9
South Dakota	126	139	1,865	1,900	235	264	12.3
Texas	570	598	1,995	2,025	1,137	1,211	6.5
Utah	97	95	1,925	1,925	187	183	-2.1
Vermont	125	120	1,750	1,725	219	207	-5.5
Virginia	74	74	1,555	1,575	115	117	1.7
Washington	281	279	2,005	1,995	563	557	-1.1
Wisconsin	1,266	1,256	1,975	2,005	2,500	2,518	0.7
24-State Total	8,805	8,851	1,908	1,944	16,796	17,206	2.4

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 24 major States during September totaled 17.2 billion pounds, up 2.4% from September 2019. August revised production, at 17.8 billion pounds, was up 1.9% from August 2019. The August revision represented an increase of 1 million pounds or less than 0.1% from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,944 pounds for September, 36 pounds above September 2019.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.85 million head, 46,000 head more than September 2019, and 6,000 head more than August 2020.

Milk production in the United States during the July - September quarter totaled 55.3 billion pounds, up 2.0% from the July - September quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.36 million head, 1,000 head less than the April - June quarter, but 39,000 head more than the same period last year.

Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States

Million pounds

